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REPORT

TOPIC **Kagran Military Post**

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29 March 1955

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED Information

1. Between 1200 and 1400 on 5 March 1955, the following motor vehicles and artillery pieces were observed in the area of the Flak Lager in Kagran:

22 trucks

4 x 37-mm AA guns

3 light AA guns

8 medium AA guns **1**

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Personnel were drilling with the light AA guns. Although the breechblock and the gun carriage were covered with tarpaulins, it could definitely be observed that the gun barrel and the seat for the operating personnel were rotatable around one axle. The barrel had a length of 2 to 2.5 meters and a considerably small funnel. The artillery piece was smaller and lower than the 37-mm AA gun.<sup>2</sup>

2. Thirteen tank trucks were parked in the fuel dump. The parking lot for tank trucks was surrounded by a new barbed wire fence. The previously reported AA model emplacements were located between the old and the new barbed wire fence. Four 37-mm AA guns and a range finder with a base, about 75 cm long, mounted on a tripod were observed in the emplacement.

1. **Comment.** The barracks installation in Kagran houses the reinforced AAA battalion which furnishes AA protection on the Soviet airfields in Austria.

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2. **Comment.** This artillery piece is reported for the first time. It is the model ZPU-1 AA gun, 14.5 mm, with which the Soviet troops were newly equipped.

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